



Student Health Packet

District of Columbia Public Schools
Office of Youth Engagement
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Washington, DC 20002

School Health Checklist:

Please turn in these forms to your child's school by August 24, 2009.

- ✱ **Child Health Certificate** – Have your child's physician or nurse practitioner complete the Child Health Certificate Form. The form collects required information on your child's health. We encourage parents/guardians to turn in Child Health Certificates for all students (although DC law requires Child Health Certificates for children entering grades Pre-K, K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11). Your child must have required immunizations, as well as have a physical exam and tuberculosis screening. Children in Headstart, Early Childhood Programs, and older than 26 months up to 6 years old who have not yet been tested for lead exposure also need lead screening.
- ✱ **Oral Health Assessment Form** – Have your child's dentist complete this form if your child is entering grades Pre-K, K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11.
- ✱ **Medication Orders** – If your child needs medication or medical intervention during the school day, please speak with the principal and nurse about your child's physical health or behavior health condition and intervention requirements.
- ✱ **HPV Vaccine Refusal Form** – If you decide your 6th grade female child will not get the HPV vaccine, please turn in this form. Please note: If you need to file an exemption for other vaccines, please contact your child's school nurse.

Tell me more about Immunizations...

- All students must have their age-appropriate immunizations. See flyer in packet about all required immunizations.
- **New this year:**
 - **Hepatitis A** – 2 doses (Children born on or after January 1, 2005)
 - **Meningococcal Vaccine** – 1 dose (Beginning at age 11 years)
 - **Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV)** – 3 doses (Female students enrolling in 6th grade for the first time)
- Please schedule a visit with your child's physician soon if your child's immunizations are not up to date. Some immunizations require more than one dose with return visits.
- If you have questions about DC's immunization requirements, please discuss them with your child's physician. **You can also contact the DC Department of Health Immunization Division at (202) 576-7130.**

Tell me more about medication orders ...

- Forms are available with your school nurse for the required parent / guardian administration of medication permission and the physician medication order. They can also be found online at: <http://dchealth.dc.gov/doh/cwp/view,a,1374,q,602913.asp>.
- Students who are allowed to self-administer asthma or anaphylaxis while at school must have a valid medication action plan signed by the student's parent or guardian, and physician. You can get these forms from your school nurse or online at the above webpage.

If your child has health insurance, contact your child's health providers to complete these forms.
If your child is uninsured or underinsured, your child can receive immunizations at a Department of Health Immunization Clinic: <http://doh.dc.gov/doh/cwp/view,a,1374,q,604159.asp>

If you have any questions about the Student Health Packet, please feel free to contact Andrea Shore, Health Services Coordinator, at DCPS: 202-719-6555 or Andrea.Shore@dc.gov.

You can find copies of these forms on the DCPS website: www.k12.dc.us.